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Whether it be repairing a tiny wire or moving huge condensers like this one at the Beaver Street Plant, the Maintenance crowd is always ready. Here we see Wallace Daniels, Andrew Girgenti and Herman Schonfelder in action.

SOCIAL SECURITY EARNED INCOME

Would you walk into a grocery store, order a goodly supply of groceries, pay for them and then walk out without them? Of course you wouldn't. Why? Because those groceries were *yours*. You had bought and paid for them with your own money. Most of the time we take our money pretty seriously. We always try our best to get full value for the dollars we spend. We count our change, and we check our bank book after making a deposit, to make certain we have been properly credited. Ordinarily we think of ourselves as good businessmen and businesswomen, and that is exactly as it should be, too.

Every worker on a job covered by Social Security should be just as careful of the Federal insurance protection he is building up. Make no mistake about it, old-age and survivors insurance is *earned* insurance, bought and paid for by you and your employer. Every time you are paid wages on a covered job, a deduction is made from your wages, which is the premium you pay on your Federal insurance. Old-age and survivors insurance belongs to you as an *earned* right, just as much as the loaf of bread or hat or anything else you purchase with your money. Therefore you should exercise the same degree of care in matters concerning your rights and responsibilities under Federal insurance as you would in any other matter for which you spend your dollars.

With every right that is ours, there is a corresponding duty. Workers on covered jobs are building up certain rights under Federal old-age and survivors insurance. At the same time, they also have certain duties and re-

sponsibilities to fulfill. In a previous issue of the *Log*, emphasis was given to the duties incumbent upon each worker on a covered job regarding his account number and what he should do to protect his right to Federal old-age and survivors insurance. There is another duty which is also deserving of our consideration. That is the duty to file a claim for Federal insurance with the Social Security Administration.

One of the requirements to establish eligibility to old-age and survivors insurance is that a claim must be filed. Even though a worker may be qualified by reason of age and employment, he cannot become eligible for his social insurance payments until he has filed a claim. In other words, there is nothing automatic about receiving Federal old-age and survivors insurance payments.

How can a qualified worker be certain he and his family will get full insurance benefits? First, by following the suggestions as to care and use of the account number card. Second, by remembering and applying the two following rules, which we call the "Two Times for Action." A worker, upon reaching age 65, who has ever worked on jobs covered by this system, should inquire about his rights at the local Social Security office. He should do this even though he is still working at age 65 and expects to continue his employment indefinitely. And when a worker dies, regardless of his age, who has ever worked on covered jobs, his survivors should notify the local Social Security office promptly to inquire about possible survivors insurance payments.

Help! Police!

Sprague employees have a chance, once again, to show our public spirit. The annual Children's Field Day, which is sponsored by the North Adams Police Association and associated community groups, for the children of North Adams, is to be held this year on June 19, at Noel Field beginning at nine o'clock in the morning.

This small County Fair, if we may call it that, was so successful last year that it has been decided to make it an annual event. Children of Clarksburg are included which means that more than 4,000 children are expected to show up again this year. It is frightening for mothers to think in terms of the ice cream, hotdogs and soft drinks that were consumed last year — 14,000 of each — but the answer is that no child ate too much for his tummy's sake and that only happy memories remain from the 1947 show.

This Field Day is financed through the Policeman's Ball and through subscriptions of local merchants and manufacturers. Everything, including all sports, athletic events and hobby shows, is planned and well supervised. While athletics are not stressed to the exclusion of anything else, sports are encouraged. Each school has a track team, and prizes are given for individual as well as group winners. Hobbies are featured, especially the Manual Arts. To discourage unfair competition, the groups are divided into junior and senior divisions to enable children to compete within their own age levels. Last year prizes amounting to more than \$700, ranging from cameras to less expensive items, were given to the competitors.

This undertaking is a tremendous one on the part of the Police Department. It is an undertaking which should have the support of every parent in this section because it gives our children a chance to see the police in their true colors — not as boogey men who lie in wait for naughty children but as blue-coated friends. If our children can develop this attitude, we need have no fear of their getting into the sort of trouble that brings them before the police in a different role.

Let's support this Field Day by going to the grounds, if possible, to lend a hand in the supervision of our youth. An hour given at our convenience can mean a great deal to the program as a whole.

And let's give a cheer for the Police Department in their effort to prove that the mythical creature with a white beard is not the only Santa Claus. The men in the blue coats have their role, too.

The *Log* Desk will be glad to take the name of anyone who wants to help on June 19.

1948 Vacationists To Enjoy Buyer's Market

Attractive Spots Numerous

The good news for vacationists this year is that, for the first time since the war, the tourist in America will enjoy a buyer's market. Hotel and inn keepers anticipate a good season but they say they expect "to have to work for business." In most places rates are being held at 1947 levels despite the sharp rise in food and operating costs. This is a cheering thought with which to start our vacation planning.

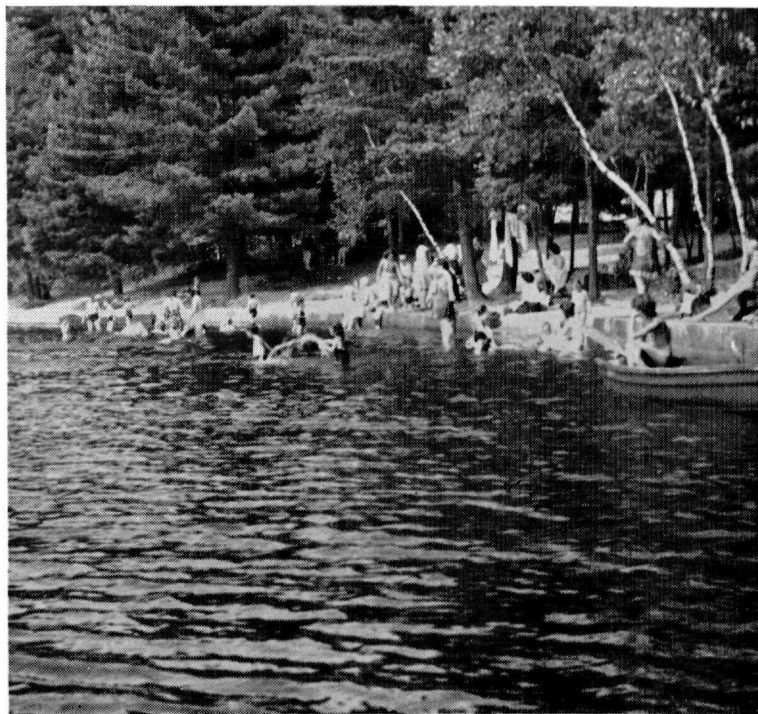
The inquiries coming in to the *Log* Travel Service indicate that practically everyone wants to go to Old Orchard or some other beach in Maine. It looks as if Fred Allen has done a good job of impressing the public with the wonders of Old Orchard.

Maine is prepared to take care of one million vacationists this summer. They recommend that those coming to the state for the first time and those driving to the beaches at the Yorks, the Kennebunks, Ogunquit and Old Orchard, take Route 1 for a better view and for access to many communities along the way. Rates at hotels and camps average \$7.50, American Plan, and go up to \$15. Overnight cabins and tourist homes run about \$2 a person and up. Food costs in Maine, always a little higher than in the rest of the country, according to government statistics, are holding their usual levels except for lobster which is expected to be a little higher than usual. The reason for that is the great demand in the cities plus the fact that airplane transportation makes shipping easier so that more lobster goes out of the state than heretofore.

One of the popular attractions in Maine, aside from swimming, is canoeing. The famed Allagash River trip, lasting three days or three weeks, according to the wishes of the individual, attracts hundreds of people each year. There's deep sea fishing and sailing for the enthusiasts; there's golf, tennis, hiking and horseback riding. In other words, it would be fun to go to Maine.

Then there is New Hampshire. Oddly enough Massachusetts sends more visitors to New Hampshire than any other state — so says the New England Council. Cabins run from \$2 to \$5 a day per person depending on locality. Farm boarding houses start at \$3.50 a day and hotels at \$8, again depending on locality. Tourists are encouraged to drive since no road construction is planned for this summer. Fish are expected to be plentiful because of the enlarged stocking program. There are many summer theatres most of which get under way in July. One of the big events in New Hampshire this year will be the National One Hundred Mile Motor-

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Packard Heights, property of Victor Papineau, near Athol, Massachusetts where Al Horsfall and others from North Adams spend their vacations.

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FATHER'S DAY

WHAT is the idea of Father's Day? Is it an occasion when the family gives Pop a new pipe, or one more tie? Or is the day one on which we men who are fathers renew our determination so to live that our family, our children, shall never be ashamed of us? A man is tickled pink when he hears his boy say "I want to be like my Dad." We fathers, do we ever think as we pause, that the lad who watches our every move is building a set of laws? He's molding a life we're the model for and, whether it's good or bad depends on the kind of example set to the boy who would be like his Dad. Would we have him go everywhere we go, have him do just the things we do, see everything that our eyes behold; and woo all the gods we woo? When we see the worship that shines in the eyes of that grand little lad — can we rest content if he gets his wish and grows to be like his Dad? It's a job that none but ourselves can fill: it's a charge we must answer for; it's a duty to show him the road to tread ere he reaches his manhood's door. It's a debt we owe for the greatest joy on this old earth — this pleasure of having a boy to raise who wants to be like his Dad!

That is one aspect of the keeping of Father's Day and well it will be if, before some altar, we kneel and say our Pater Noster: "Our Father, Who art in Heaven, help me to be the kind of father I ought to be. Amen."

Frank Mountford

Travel

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cycle Road Race at Belknap Mountain Recreation Area on June 19-20. The New Hampshire Sportsmen's Show will be held June 25-27. Mountain climbing and lake trips make this a desirable state for the ambitious vacationer.

There is also Massachusetts! We don't have to go out of our own state to find most of the things we demand of a vacation spot. Cape Cod in June is wonderful because it is not too crowded. There we have 100 miles of beaches stretching around the Cape. The average for hotel accommodations, American Plan, is \$8. Rooming places run from \$2. to \$2.50. Housekeeping cottages rent for as low as \$45 a week. The Boston excursion boat to Provincetown will resume its daily round-trip schedule on June 14. There is fishing

(big fish weighing up to hundreds of pounds are caught each year in these waters), swimming, summer theatre, artists groups, yachting, golf and tennis. And, if we don't want the beach, there are the historic spots from Boston all the way west. In addition, we have scheduled nearly 900 recreational events including art exhibits, summer fairs, golf tournaments and surf fishing. Gloucester is good for deep sea fishing. And, finally, we have the Berkshires where the mountain scenery is superb and where small lakes afford boating and fishing.

Some of the outstanding scheduled events for June in the near-by States are:

MAINE: Fishing Derby at Camden, June 27, on Megunticook Lake.

NEW HAMPSHIRE: National Motorcycle Championships, Laconia-Guilford, June 19-20. Gypsy tour, slow races, potato races on Saturday. National 100-mile road race, Sunday.

MASSACHUSETTS: Bunker Hill Celebration, Charlestown, June 27.

RHODE ISLAND: Bermuda Race from Newport, June 19. More than forty craft are expected to compete in this international sailing event.

CONNECTICUT: Harvard-Yale Boat Race, Thames River, New London, June 25.

NEW YORK: Dairyland Festival, Watertown, June 15-17, parade, inter-national milking championship, barn dances, band concerts.

NEW JERSEY: Tennis Championship, Montclair, June 28.



Nancy Ann Sullivan, born June 6, 1940 on Father's Day, the daughter of Lea of F. P. Assembly.

Beaver News

Can Shop

By Harry Trombley

This anonymous poem received by this reporter tells its own story:

I thought we were pals, that you were my chum

Now I'm in the doghouse and feel like a bum.

What you wrote in the Log my wife took wrong:

Now my life is a mess, what once was a song.

She took it all wrong: now I'm just a louse.

Move over, Fido, let me share your house.

Won't you please do something to patch up this wrong

Or will it go on forever? No, that's much too long.

Please be a good pal, and help out this bum

And, from this day on, I'll again call you "Chum."

Machine Shop

By Nick Richardello

A new member has been added to our family. He is none other than Mr. Arthur Lemieux of Clarksburg, a retired ice dealer. He has the task of keeping our department spic and span. By the way, he is doing a swell job. If anyone is in doubt, come up and see us.

Vacation season opened officially last week when "Pepper" Martin journeyed to East Lebanon, Maine, and spent two weeks at his 312 acre farm.

Mr. Bertrand Peters and his wife went to New York City on business last weekend. Incidentally, the fact is that the Peters' have established a business in Pownal, Vermont, known as the Golden Rule Dress Shop. Judging from what Bert says, business is good. Good luck to you both!

George Scarbo and John Murray went to Colebrook, New Hampshire, over the holiday weekend for fishing. George got 30 trout while John got only 8. The reason was that George kept John busy calling for the net.

A. C. Assembly

By Vi Short

Percy Bordwin vacationed recently in Canada for two weeks.

Marg Anderson spent the holiday weekend with her son in Boston.

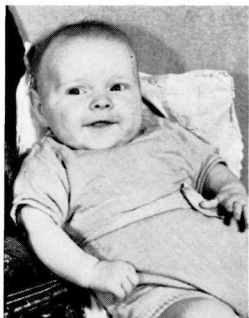
John Fortini spent the holiday at Sunnyside. Lil Tisdale claims you sure looked it, John.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Krol and Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Roy visited Lena Codogni in Readsboro. They say the meal Lena served was wonderful.

She sends her regards to the A. C. Line.

Elaine Fortin is seeking a player piano. Anyone having one please contact her.

Has anyone had a ride in Pete Law's new car yet?



David Frederick Potter, three month-old son of Dot Potter of F. P.'s.

OUR HOLLAND TULIPS



This colorful Thank-You Garden blooms at Marshall Street. The bulbs were sent from our sponsored school in Holland in appreciation for Sprague Electric Company's help during the war years.

Upper Offices

By Flo. and Do.

A party held at Fort Massachusetts in honor of Alice Morrison, secretary to Mr. Ceely, who is to be married in the not too distant future, is the highlight of this issue of the Log. Everything was very secretive and she was so surprised she couldn't speak.

All the credit goes to Mrs. Agnes McDonough of the Time Study Dept. Agnes with her very clever ideas arranged and decorated the tables. A bridal doll was the centerpiece, and small bouquets of white roses and babies breath adorned the adjoining long tables.

Alice received a purse of money and a corsage of white roses.

After dinner the entertainment began. Miss Ellen Horsfall sang "The Bells of St. Marys", "I Love You Truly", and later in the program sang "Some Sunday Morning." The song "Marie-Elena" was requested by the guest of honor and was sung by Barbara Carpenter who also sang "The Man I Love", and "Because". Miss Helen Root was also requested to sing and she sang "The Anniversary Song." Mrs. Priscilla Northup who can always come thru with a great many laughs recited two monologues. Group singing was enjoyed afterward and the party adjourned to the lounge where a group picture was taken by Al Horsfall.

F. P. Drys

By Florence Harris

Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. John Faustini who were married May 29. "Smashing" day, wasn't it, Jack?

The sympathy of the department has been with Irene Jones since her unfortunate accident. We hope to have you back with us soon, Irene.

Vacations:

Genevieve Morin — at home
"Dukie" Abraham — Connecticut
It was a surprise to the testers to discover a new, red haired girl working with them, but a second look revealed her to be Pearl Dubreuil.

The F. P. Assembly and the F. P. Drys are hoping for a speedy recovery from her accident for Emma Massaoni, the Assembly reporter.

June Bunting invaded New York again last weekend.

The Employees of Sprague Electric Company extend sincere sympathy to the family of Ann Blasi whose tragic death on June 7 has saddened all of us. Ann was such a vital part of Sprague's that her loss will be keenly felt by co-workers, sportsmen and friends.

Anniversaries

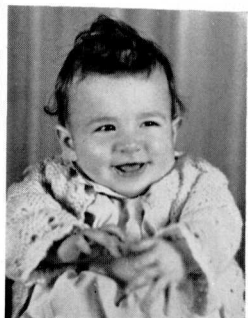
A surprise dinner party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Foote marked the twenty-fourth wedding anniversary of Patrolman and Mrs. Simeon A. Caron on May 22. The couple was presented an electric coffee maker, sugar dish, creamer and tray; many congratulatory messages were read. An anniversary cake was baked by Mrs. Foote for the occasion. Mrs. Caron is Aldea of Resistors.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Daniels were guests of honor at a surprise party at the home of Mrs. Edythe Burnett on May 22, their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. They were presented a purse of money by William Ross on behalf of the guests, and Mrs. Daniels received a corsage. More than fifty guests were present. Mr. Daniels is employed in Marshall Street Maintenance.

Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Morse were guests at a family dinner in observance of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. While the anniversary date was May 28, the party was on Sunday, May 30. Mr. Morse is employed in Marshall Street Maintenance and three of their six children have been connected with Sprague Electric Company. Linwood Jr., who is now serving with the Marines, was formerly of Mica; Clifford is in the Stockroom and Frances is in Miscellaneous Paper Assembly.

Suggestion Award

Congratulations go to John Fortini and Roy Trotter of A. C. Assembly. The Suggestion Committee has awarded them five dollars each for their suggestion of an improved fixture for adjusting terminals on A-3727 AC Condensers.



Diane Theresa Dean, daughter of Jimmy of Paper Ignition and Inis who was formerly of Paper Ignition.

BROWN STREET BRIEFS

Resistors

By Vickie LaMore

The girls are glad to welcome Art Vansteemburg to their department these days.

We are also glad to see Irene LaBeau back to work after being out a week with a severe cold. And Arvilla Shand has returned after her daughter's illness.

The gang wishes a speedy recovery to "Josie" Gaspard's husband who has returned home from the North Adams Hospital. "Josie" has been cheerful through his illness and deserves a vote of admiration for her courage.

Anna Artioli plans to spend a week with her son at Amherst College. Her young daughter, Lala, will join her there.

Dela Nichols would appreciate finding her new umbrella she lost.

Who is the girl on soldering who was going to take a bag of pickles for her lunch by mistake? Thanks for the pickles, "Josie".

So long, Lucy. The girls will miss your help on the rejects.

Mae Lefebvre likes her new job on dipping; she still calls on the girls.

We are proud of the sons and daughters in the plant who took part in the May 30 Parade.

Prokar Dept.

By Carol Bellard

Happy Birthday to Eleanor Perron whose birthday is June fifth.

Everyone is sorry to see Helen Noetzel and Marion Duprea leave. We all hope to see you both again soon.

Anyone who knows what happened to Agnes Vidal's thermos bottle please let us know.

POETRY CORNER:

"Dottie" Whipple had a goat
Which was very plain
He followed her into her home
And smashed a window pane.
Marion Duprea sure looked good on
her last day at work. Good luck,
Marion!

Resistors--Navy Line

By Mary Bua

We all wish every happiness to Amelia Tash who became the bride of Herbert Leris on June 5.

Jennie King attended the wedding of her nephew in Greenfield on June 5.

With all the diets being started in the department, we should expect to see a few model figures very soon.

Emily Wlodyka has completed her quota of paper cups. Emily says the better cabbage heads grow from them.

Rita Thelberge has talent in her family. Her two young daughters, Norma and Jackie, sang a lovely duet recently over the local station. Whom do they take after, Rita?

Molded Tubulars--Night Shift by Gladys Kirkpatrick

Song Personalities of the "Gang on Nites":

Bertha Shepard—"Sleepy Time Gal"
Evelyn Scrivens—"Now is the Hour"
Mable Williams—"Coo-coo Waltz"
Tom Doyle—"Pennies from Heaven"
Al Ziter—"Nature Boy"
Evelyn Morin—"How Soon"
Nellie Mancini—"Never Trust a Man"
Gladys Kirkpatrick—
"She's Too Fat for Me"

Mary Lesage—"Pal of My Cradle Days"

Ruth Richmond—"If I Only Had a Match"

Betty Bush—"Smoke, Smoke, Smoke"

"Phil" Errichotto—"Seven Little Indian Boys"

Olympia Catalotti—"Waiting For That Train to Come In"

Marie Dubruel—"If I Had My Life to Live Over"

Ralph Kleiner—"You Two Timed Me One Time Too Often"

Zita Pedrin—"Rumors Are Flying"

Beatrice King—"Lover Where Can You Be"

Erma Allen—"Beg Your Pardon"

Dolores Domenichini—"Oh What It Seemed To Be"

Anna Deep—"Baby Face"

Nancy Hurley—"Cuddle Up A Little Closer"

Altie Jillson—"I Only Want A Buddy Not A Sweetheart"

Frances King—"Sure Fire Gal"

Mary Sullivan—"Anniversary Song"

Pat O'Neal—"You Can't Be True Dear"

Lillian Forbush—"Candle Lite Cafe"

Alma Fox—"My Wild Irish Rose"

Rita Ledvick—"Just Because"

Rose Leveille—"Buttermilk Sky"

Jennie Pincombe—"Have I Told You Lately How I Love You"

Rachael Montagna—"D-U-Z - D-U-Z - D-U-Z - Does Everything"

Loretta Tovoni—"I Cried For You"

Florence DeMarco—"Let's Be Sweethearts Again"

Ann Douglas—"The Wise Old Owl"

Catherine Jammolo—"Isle of Capri"

Jo-Anne - Josephine - Rita Aragone—"Three Little Sisters"

Rose Grenier—"That Grey Haired Daddy of Mine"

Phil Snachetti—"I'm a Lonely Little Petunia"

Rose Cancro—"Ballerina"

Eleanor Osterhoudt—"Star Dust"

Rose Luzarczyk—"Saber Dance"

Theresa Tassone—"Pastavozoala"

Jennie Romeo—"Manana"

Esther Peters - Ann St-Cyr—"Merry Go Round"

Molded Tubulars

By Marie DeMarsico

We wish to say "Hello" to all new girls and we hope you enjoy working with us.

We have a canary amongst us—"Peg" Thomas. Too bad there isn't a musical producer around.

Speaking of canaries, I've heard "Bea" Boucher is quite the whistler. I've yet to hear her. I do hope she won't keep me in suspense too long.

I have inside information for those who are planning their summer clothes for work; they should consist of cool, cotton dresses. And bring your own fan!

Irene Sweeney makes a cute bobby-sixer dressed in overalls and pigtails.

We don't know whether it's getting up in the early hours of the morning or her social life, but something is getting Mary Ann Trotter down. She recently celebrated her twenty-fourth birthday on the twenty-sixth of May.

Farewell to Margaret Sherry, Rachel Martin and Angie Zoito.

PARTY FOR ALICE MORRISON



First row, left to right: Shirley Thoros, Alice Hermann, Jean Petroff, Agnes McDonough, Alice Morrison, Marion Pinsonnault, Mary Roberts, Joan Bryce, Ellen Horsfall, Evelyn Duprey.

Back row, left to right: Betty Burdick, Mary Mathews, Theresa Grosz, Mary Avery, Lucille Fitzgerald, Hazel Goodale, Susan Bishop, Lydia Camadine, Florence Southgate, Lillian Clermont, Lillian Schwab, Ida Fix, Mary Como, Edith Maynard, Helen Ciepiela, Helen Root, Betty Bogus, Barbara Carpenter, Doris Langer, Ann Kearns, Hazel Chapple, Hazel Geraghty, Katie Bryce and Betty Saltamartini.

Industrial Oil

By Ann Heath

The welcome mat is out to all the new girls in our department. We are glad to have you with us.

The question in our department is: Is Win Emery going in for black market meat? Winnie, don't you know that meat has to be inspected by the proper authorities. So!

We girls carry our mirrors in our hand bags, but Charlie Slade has to be different. He carries his on a broom.

Friday morning was a little rough on Ag Houghton—too much party Thursday night.

Just because someone turned on a light Eleanor DeSanty and Pearl Luczynski fell on the floor.

Celia Bouchard doesn't want to set the world on fire—just the poor old floor.

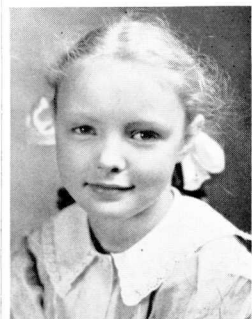
Millie Conroy is home from the hospital and she is feeling tops. We all send our love, Millie.

PAA. Rolling

By Rita Siciliano

Our deepest sympathy to Josephine Petravich on the death of her father and to Mary DiLegio on the death of her brother, Louis Astorino.

Vacation time is here once more. The first to take advantage of it was Mary Gerry. Mary stayed at home catching up on spring cleaning.



"Sandy" Whipple, sister of Norma Harris of F. P. Drys.

Helen Cutler's souvenir of the Red Sox's team was on display in the stockroom—a baseball with the autographs of all the members of the team, even Ted Williams, Helen's hero.

Jean Trenti is very appealing to the eyes with her first coat of tan. Where did you get it, Jean, with all the rain we've been having?

Cecile Marcoux is all smiles these days looking forward to July 31 when she will exchange marriage vows with John Giraud in Notre Dame Church. Best of luck to you, Cecile.

Marshall Street

DTQ Miscellaneous Drys

By Ceil Risch

Welcome! Viola Dempsey to our department. Hope you will like working with us. Welcome also to Lillian Brigham who was out on a leave of absence.

A get-together was held at Mrs. Charles Morris's house in honor of Agnes Fitzgerald. She was given miscellaneous gifts for her trip to England. Her daughter, "Chickie", who is in the picture with the cocker spaniel is making the trip with her. Good luck, Agnes and "Chickie".

"Flash" Racette and Howard Rennell finally caught up with each other. They both came in together one morning. Nice going, boys!

Suspense isn't so bad after all, it is Francis Royal? Especially when you get a hundred dollars for it.

Bets don't mean a thing to Paul Raedel. Win or lose, he still pays.

Imagine Lucy DePari at her age riding hobby horses. Then she tells us she's lame from playing ski ball.

Marriages

FAUSTINI - CLIFTON

Miss Mildred Virginia Clifton became the bride of John Francis Faustini in St. Francis Church on Saturday, May 29. The double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Philip M. Sullivan who also said the Nuptial Mass. The bride is employed in Dry Tubular Assembly and the groom is in the F. P. Department.

Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Mountford have announced the engagement of their daughter, Phyllis Mary, to Staff Sergeant H. Samuel McIntosh of the United States Army. The wedding will take place in September in New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Camp of Pittsfield have announced the engagement of their daughter, Betty, to Arthur M. Russell, son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Russell of 150 Prospect Street, North Adams. The wedding will take place in the fall. Mr. Russell is employed in Section Test, Beaver Street.

Mr. and Mrs. William G. Delisle of 23 South Street have announced the engagement of their daughter, Viviane Therese, to William James Kilbride, Jr., of 123 Beaver Street. The wedding will take place in Notre Dame Church on Labor Day. Viviane is employed in F. P. Assembly and the groom is in the Machine Shop at Beaver.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Victoria Phaneuf, formerly of Prokar, whose death on June 3 was a sad loss. Mrs. Phaneuf had been with Sprague Electric Company since 1942 and will be missed by her many friends throughout the Plants.



Elaine Harris, daughter of Florence Harris of F. P. Drys.



Richard Allen Roberts, ten month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Roberts, of Marshall Street Model Department



HOT WEATHER HINTS

Up, up, up goes the thermometer and down, down, down goes our pep, energy and interest in food. That's when feeding the family becomes a real challenge. If the food doesn't look good and taste good the folks will dilly-dally with it instead of eating it. And because we all eat less during hot weather every dish should be crammed with as many nutrients as possible.

One way to add new interest and at the same time include important nutrients in food is to use molasses — flavorful, iron-rich New Orleans molasses. A spoonful added to the French dressing, you serve with fruit salads or to gravy puts that touch of adventure into eating that summer menus need. As for desserts the molasses ones are always favorites, so you can serve them by the dozens, from molasses cookies to molasses mousse.

CRISPET DESSERT RING

½ cup New Orleans Molasses
¼ cup sugar
¼ teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons butter
6 cups corn flakes
Vanilla ice cream
Molasses Fruit Sauce

Combine molasses, sugar and salt; cook slowly, stirring occasionally, to 250* F. (or when a small quantity dropped into cold water forms a firm ball). Remove from heat; add butter. Pour over corn flakes; toss lightly with fork. Lightly press into buttered 8" ring mold. Cool. Unmold. Fill center with ice cream. Serve with Molasses Fruit Sauce. Serves 6-8.

MOLASSES FRUIT SAUCE

Break up 1 cup currant jelly with fork; add 2 tablespoons New Orleans Molasses and juice of ½ orange. If desired, add ¼ cup rum.

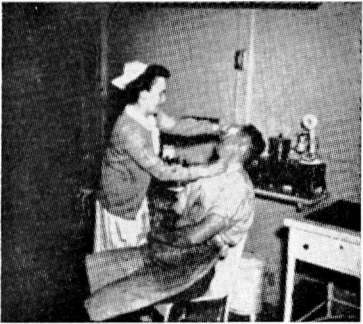
Log Banquet

Plans are underway for the Log Banquet on June 24 at the Clarksburg Sportsmen's Club. We hope that all members of the Log Staff will be present for a good evening of fun and relaxation. We hear that "Kit" Carson is to be toast-master which is enough to assure us of an entertaining time. We'll see you there!

Electric-Eye Window for Exclusive Black Cat

William K. Kearsley of Schenectady, N. Y., inventor of the electrically-heated automatic blanket, also created an electrically-operated hospital bed, an automatic "face" for testing razor blades and a radar jamming device. Which is not to mention his "cat selector", an electric eye application to permit his black cat to enter and leave his home through a special opening in a cellar window. The electronic eye barred cats of lighter color.

OUR SAFETY CORNER



Horseplay is not fair play. Another worker threw a wet towel rolled into a ball and struck this man in the eye. Besides causing him considerable pain, this injury slowed down production in the plant, affecting employees and employer alike. Many serious accidents result from horseplay—accidents which cause serious injuries and even death. Sensible employees do not indulge in that sort of sport. It doesn't pay off!

New Golf Ball

A new golf ball, recently announced as having a silicone "bouncing putty" heart that gives it greater distance and an improved "feel", is made possible by still another of a maze of applications for the all-seeing electric eye, scientists of the electrical manufacturing industry point out.

The eye, they say, is the key part of an electronic device, perfected after six years of experiments, which provides precise control of the tension of the thread wound around the ball's center, thus insuring uniformity in playing performance.

The new ball is described as one of the most important contributions to golf since the birth of the "royal and ancient game" in Scotland more than 500 years ago.

Another facet of the game concerns the why of 18-hole golf courses, revealed in a story from Scotland now making the rounds of American locker rooms.

Back in 1858 the board of historic St. Andrews had been pondering the how-many-holes question for days. Finally one of its members came up with the solution, based on the "inclemency of our local climate" and a bottle of scotch whiskey, emptied after eighteen "medicinal nips — no more, no less."

He had been playing each day, he said, as many holes as his bottle would permit — "and, naturally, it would be unhealthy for me to continue the game when the bottle is empty."

The 18-hole links was formalized then and there—on what is now known as the nineteenth hole.

Fishing Contest

Things are looking up in the Fishing Contest! Kenny Russell is the first entrant with a perch weighing 10 ounces and measuring 11½ inches in length, caught on May 20 at 8 P.M. in South Pond.

Come on, you fishermen with your catch! The prizes are waiting for you.

SPORTS

Softball - Baseball Open Season

Softball

The Inter-Plant soft-ball league is now underway with 4 teams participating. They are Brown Street, Beaver Street, Marshall Street and Maintenance. Games are played every Monday and Wednesday, weather permitting at the Widen Field (formerly the Incarnation Field) in Blackinton. "Tank" Wilson and his ambitious volunteer helpers have done a grand job in getting the field in such fine shape. Anyone wishing to play with any of the above mentioned teams can do so by making an appearance at the field on the night scheduled and making your intentions known. Remember, once you sign to play you are expected to be present with your team on the night scheduled. If a group wish to play they should get in touch with "Tank" Wilson and have the field held open for their game. This gives everyone an opportunity to play on nights that do not conflict with the League games.

By the time this issue is off the press the Girls' Softball League should be organized and underway. On Tuesday, June 8th the first session should be history.

In the two opening games the Maintenance lads have won both encounters 15-8 over Beaver Street and 5-2 over the Brown Street aggregation.

Here are the box scores:

| Maintenance | | | |
|-----------------------|----|----|----|
| Name | ab | r | h |
| J. Ariazi, c..... | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| J. Rossi, 2b..... | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| J. Sargent, s.s..... | 5 | 3 | 3 |
| T. Woloski, p..... | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| H. Bohl, 1b..... | 5 | 1 | 2 |
| P. Jobin, r.f..... | 4 | 2 | 4 |
| B. Matthews, c.f..... | 5 | 1 | 2 |
| R. Lebardoni, 3b..... | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| A. George, s.f..... | 4 | 1 | 4 |
| H. Brafman, l.f..... | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| Totals..... | 43 | 15 | 24 |

| Beaver Street | | | |
|-------------------------|----|---|----|
| Name | ab | r | h |
| E. Hinkell, 1b..... | 3 | 0 | 2 |
| T. Wilson, 3b..... | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| G. Scarbo, p..... | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| D. Esposito, 2b..... | 4 | 0 | 1 |
| S. Grande, s.f..... | 3 | 1 | 3 |
| E. Purpura, r.f..... | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| D. Dominchini, s.s..... | 3 | 0 | 2 |
| L. Danforth, l.f..... | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Brown, c.f..... | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| R. Sherman, c..... | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Totals..... | 32 | 8 | 20 |

| Maintenance | | | |
|-------------|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 0 | 8 | 0 | 2 |
| 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 3 | 0 | 0 | 8 |

This opening game was a real slugfest with the Maintenance outscoring the Beaver boys in both hitting and run departments. A big third inning that net the victors 8 runs just about decided the issue.

The following box score for the second inter-plant soft-ball league is as follows:

| Maintenance | | | |
|------------------------|----|---|----|
| Name | ab | r | h |
| J. Sargent, s.s..... | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| B. Bernardi, c..... | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| J. Ariazi, 3b..... | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| T. Woloski, p..... | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| B. Matthews, c.f..... | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| A. Choquette, r.f..... | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| J. Fileault, s.f..... | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| J. Rossi, 2b..... | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| B. Falcon, 2b..... | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| R. George, l.f..... | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Totals..... | 24 | 5 | 11 |

The real problem of your leisure is to keep other people from using it.

Brown Street

| Name | ab | r | h |
|--------------------------|----|---|-------|
| L. Vincelette, l.f..... | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| K. Russell, c.f..... | 3 | 0 | 2 |
| T. Bergeron, 1b..... | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Guido, 3b..... | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| B. Fitzpatrick, s.s..... | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| H. Puppola, r.f..... | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| G. Boucher, 2b..... | 3 | 0 | 2 |
| B. Durocher, p..... | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| T. Zanette, c..... | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| F. Santelli, s.f..... | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals..... | 28 | 2 | 8 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | Total |
| Maintenance | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Brown St. | 0 | 0 | 2 |

Umpires—Wilson and MacKay

In contrast to the opening game where hits were a dime a dozen — this game was extremely fast and good defenses on both teams kept the runs and hits at a minimum. This game was played in 50 minutes. Woloski pitched and batted his team to victory.

Minor League Baseball

The local sports enthusiast in this area has the opportunity to see a fine brand of baseball and players who in the near future will undoubtedly be wearing major league uniforms.

Let's break it down this way—To the South of us just 22 miles to be exact lies Wachanook Park in Pittsfield, home of the Pittsfield Electric, who are members of the Canadian-American League Club. Now let's move about 40 miles south-east of Pittsfield and we find the home of another minor league club, the Springfield Cubs, who hold forth at Pynchon Park in Springfield and they are in the New England League. Incidentally, Dale Long, a former Adams High star, is the regular 1st baseman of the league leading Lyn Red Sox of the same New England Loop. And we still have another minor league ball club about 45 miles to the west and this one is the Albany Senators of the Eastern League. So — ample opportunity is afforded the baseball fan who cannot get to one of the big Major League ball parks that is a good 140 miles distant.

The type of ball played in these minor leagues is great to see. It may lack the precision-smoothness of the big leagues, but stars in the making along with a good brand of ball is always on display.

At this time I would like to say that our local paper does not give enough of its sport section to these clubs that are so much closer to us than some Major League Club. Schedules of the coming games with some of the results and occasional standings would be greatly appreciated I know. Sometimes these things are taken care of through radio facilities but there are times when this is also left out in the cold.

Once more I say to all our baseball fans in this section — take in some of these games and I'm sure you will be back to see many more.

High School Baseball

The High School baseball season is about to close and as yet the 1948 baseball champions are yet to be crowned. The favored Pittsfield "Purple" with the title all but in the proverbial "satchel" met a tartar in Bennington and met an unexpected defeat 8-5. This was followed with another licking at the hands of arch rival Pittsfield St. Joseph. The standings at this writing show Pittsfield St. Joseph out in front by half a game over Pittsfield and Drury. Drury has suffered 3 defeats so far this season and

they were—Bennington at Bennington; Pittsfield St. Joseph in Pittsfield; and Pittsfield in North Adams. Drury has received excellent pitching this year from Bill "Red" Bakey and "Bill" Chilson. "Red" shut out Pittsfield in Pittsfield 2-0. "Bill" Chilson shut out Adams by the same score and pitched a 1 hitter.

Semi-Pro

Well it looks like the Northern Berkshire Twilight League will get underway with four teams participating. They are Greylock, St. Anthony Crusaders, Kostkas of Adams and the Williamstown American Legion.

We at Sprague's especially those who participate in sports, feel deeply the keen loss of their fellow bowler, basketball player and general all-around sport, Ann Blasi. Her complete team play, her will to win and her loyalty made Ann an important cog in whatever sport she participated in. She was a lover of outdoor as well as indoor sports and we think the end came as she might have wished it — actively engaged in one of her favorite recreational past-times.



Summer togs are fetching this year and many of them can be made easily and inexpensively if you happen to sew. Directions for making this "Snazzy" number may be gotten from Miss Owen in the Beaver Street Dispensary. There are many other pretty things in her catalog such as beach bags, hats and sun suits. You may be surprised at how much you can do for very little money and in very little time.